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Office of the Secretariat
Commodity Futures Trading Commission
Three Lafayette Centre
1155 21st Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20581

Re: Certification: New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc.
Submission #05.69 (Listing of Additional Strike Prices for the
Silver, Copper, Unleaded Gasoline, Natural Gas, Crude Oil and Related
Calendar Spread Option Contracts)

Dear CFTC Commissioners:

Pursuant to COMEX Rule 16.03, COMEX Rule 17.04 and NYMEX Rule 300.20, the President of the New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc. ("Exchange") has directed that additional strike prices be added for certain contract months in the Silver, Copper, Unleaded Gasoline, Natural Gas, Crude Oil and related Calendar Spread option contracts as detailed below:

- (A) On April 8, 2005, the Exchange added a call and a put:
1. at the strike prices of -95 and -150 for the May 2005 contract month of the Crude Oil One month Calendar Spread option contract;
 2. at the strike price of 166 for the June 2005 contract month of the Copper option contract;
 3. at the strike price of 19800 for the July 2005 contract month of the Unleaded Gasoline option contract;
 4. at the strike price of 9950 for the August 2005 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;
 5. at the strike price of 7550 for the September 2005 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;
 6. at the strike price of 9600 for the October 2005 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;

7. at the strike prices of 600 and 625 for the March 2006 contract month of the Silver option contract;

8. at the strike price of 5300 for the March 2006 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;

9. at the strike price of 650 for the March 2006 contract month of the Natural Gasoline One month Calendar Spread option contract;

10. at the strike prices of 7500 and 9500 for the June 2006 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;

11. at the strike prices of 7500 and 9500 for the September 2006 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;

(B) On April 11, 2005, the Exchange added a call and a put:

12. at the strike price of 154 for the May 2005 contract month of the Copper option contract;

13. at the strike price of 168 for the June 2005 contract month of the Copper option contract;

14. at the strike price of 6700 for the March 2006 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;

(C) On April 12, 2005, the Exchange added a call and a put:

15. at the strike price of -175 for the May 2005 contract month of the Crude Oil One month Calendar Spread option contract;

(D) On April 13, 2005, the Exchange added a call and a put:

16. at the strike price of 790 for the June 2005 contract month of the Silver option contract;

17. at the strike price of 7100 for the August 2005 contract month of the Crude Oil option contract;

18. at the strike price of 132 for the September 2005 contract month of the Copper option contract;

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19. at the strike price of 9150 for the September 2005 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract; and

20. at the strike price of 9350 for the October 2005 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract.

Pursuant to the terms of COMEX Rule 16.03, COMEX Rule 17.04 and NYMEX Rule 300.20, the strike prices noted above are in increments that are consistent with the pricing for the underlying futures contract. COMEX Rule 16.03, COMEX Rule 17.04 and NYMEX Rule 300.20 permit such directed strike prices to be effective upon adoption, provided that notice to the CFTC is given within three business days of the strike price listing.

Should you have any questions concerning the above, please contact the undersigned at (212) 299-2207.

Very truly yours,

Brian Regan
Vice President & Counsel

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George Henderson
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